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DAR COUNCIL ACTIVITY REPORT
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FAR/DFARS Cases Discussed:

97-005	Independent Government Estimates - Construction: Revises the threshold for Independent Government Estimates for construction contract modifications.	Agreed to draft proposed rule.
90-009F	Electronic Funds Transfer: Broadens use of electronic funds transfer for contract payments.	Edited draft proposed rule. Will discuss further 03/05/97.
96-609	Taxpayer Identification Number: Implements sections of the Debt Collection Improvement Act of 1996 (P.L. 104-134) regarding taxpayer identification numbers (TIN).	Agreed to draft interim rule.
97-003	Federal Tax Reporting Requirements: Clarifies requirements for the reporting of contract information and payment information to the IRS.	Agreed to draft final rule.
96-601	FASA Walsh-Healey Public Contracts Act: Implements DoL regulations which reflect FASA's deletion of the Walsh-Healey Public Contracts Act requirement that a supplier under a Government contract be a manufacturer or regular dealer.	Agreed to convert interim to final rule without change.
96-003	Local Government Lobbying Costs: Exempts from the lobbying costs unallowability those activities whose purpose is to influence local legislation in order to directly reduce contract cost, or to avoid material impairment of the contractor's authority to perform the contract.	Agreed to convert interim to final rule without change.